

## **Working Memory**

One of the most important components of the brain as we currently understand it

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## **Process information about the world**

- Goals
- Make plans
- Task relevant
- Mental space

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**Working memory:  
conductor**

**Brain: players in  
the orchestra**

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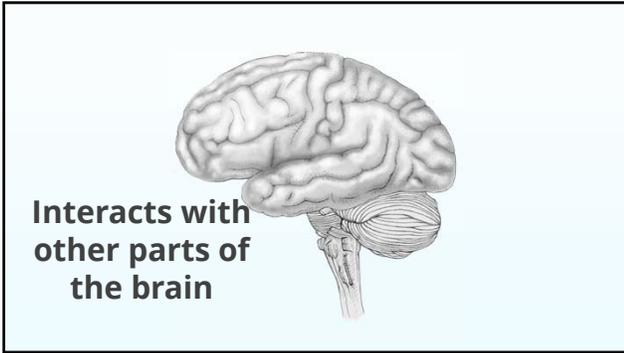
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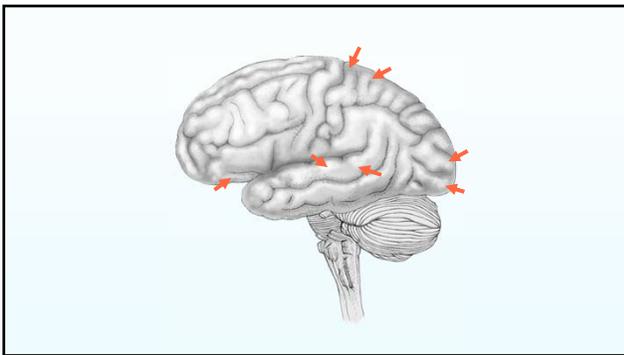
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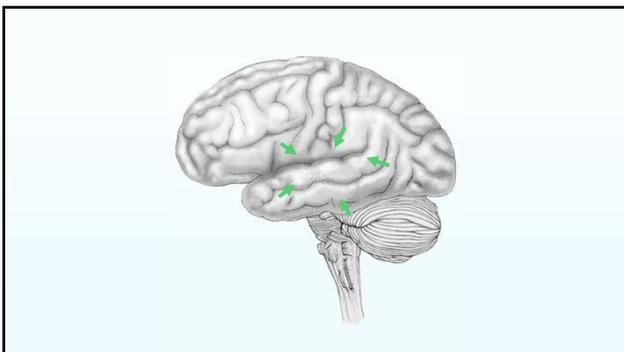
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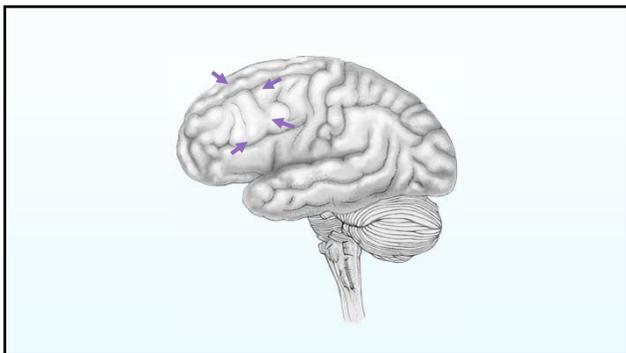
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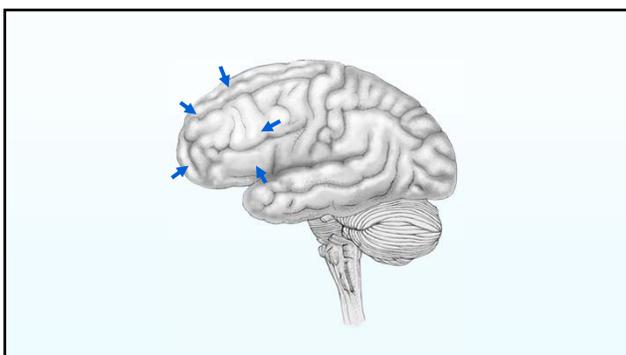
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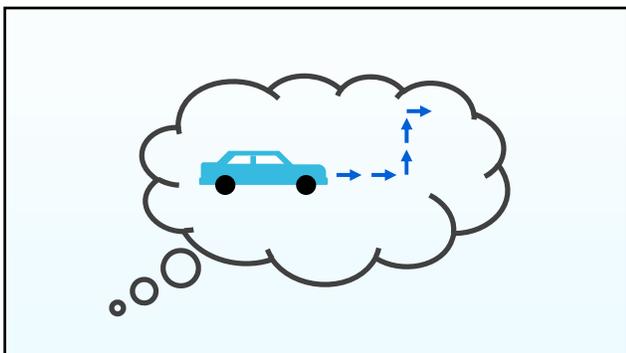
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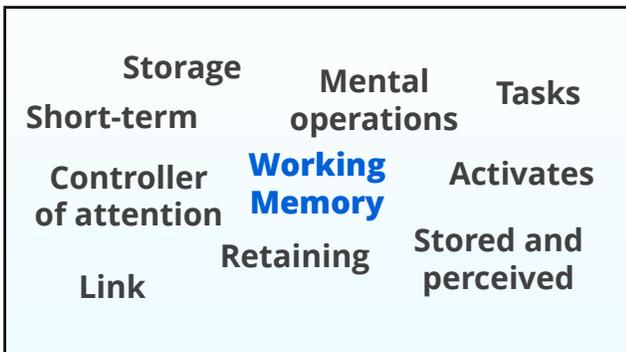
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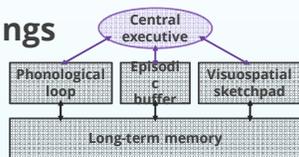
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### Central executive

- Makes sure things get done
- Controls other components




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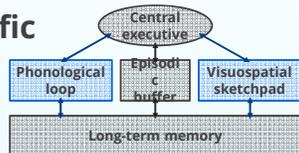
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### Sensory specific caches

- Modality specific information
- Operate fairly independently




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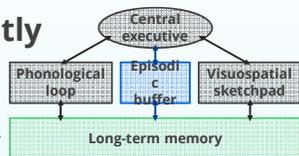
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### Episodic buffer

- What is currently happening
- Reactivated event memory




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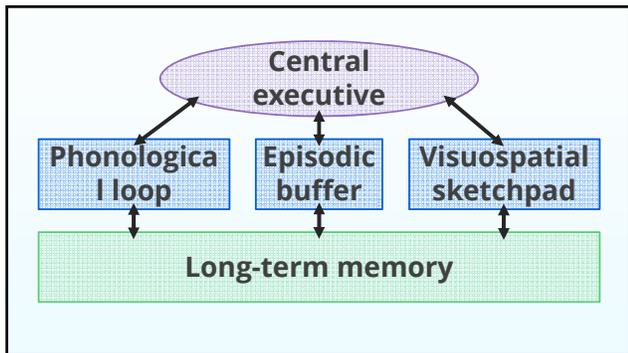
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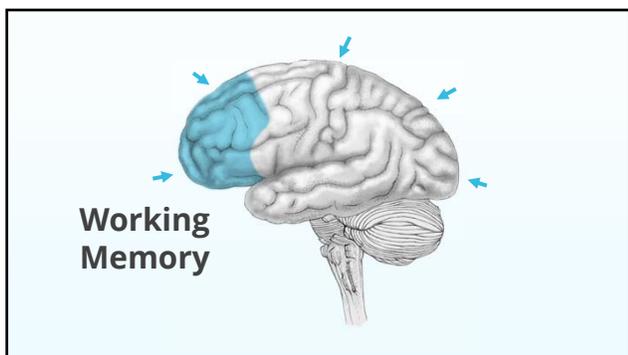
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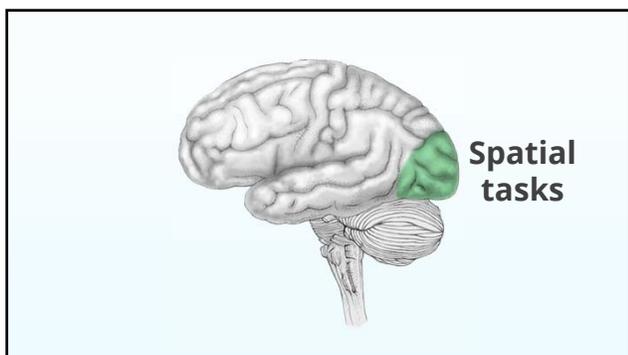
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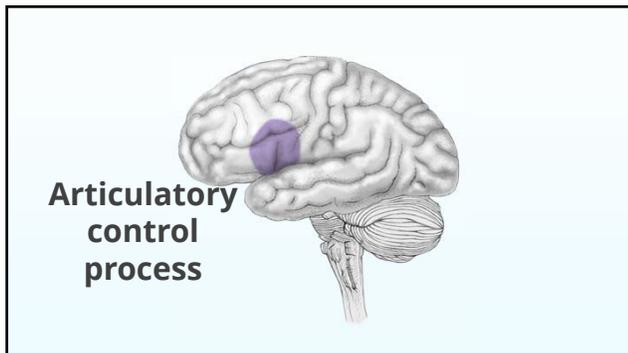
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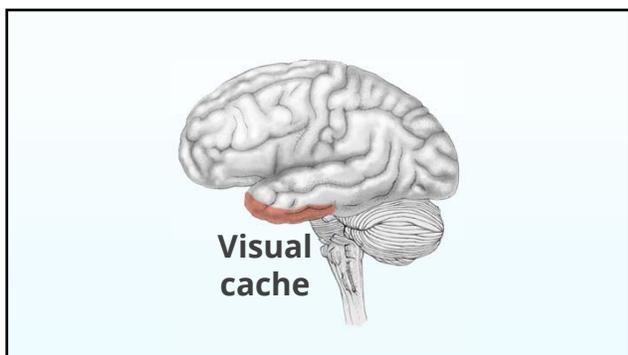
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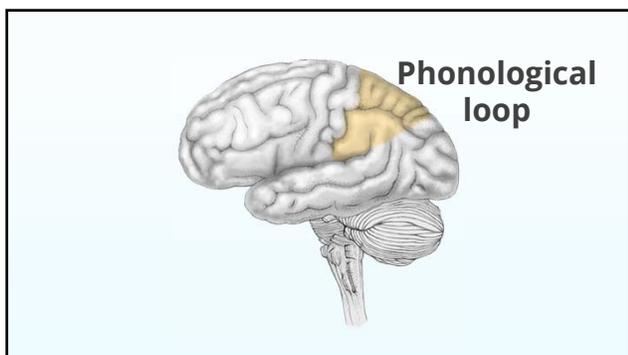
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**Working Memory**

- System for activating other parts of the brain
- Modality-specific components and abstract components

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**Working Memory**

- Individual differences in working memory capacity
- Dorsolateral prefrontal cortex is important and well connected

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